

Youth Band Cancels Annual Spring Parade

Cancellation of the annual Torrance Area Youth Band parade planned for this spring was announced yesterday by James Van Dyck, director of the band.

"We are in the process of purchasing 11 senior band uniforms and 50 cadet band uniforms and our board of directors thought the purchase of these uniforms was more important to the band than taking a chance of staging a parade and winding up with a big deficit as we have in the past," Van Dyck said.

"We are going ahead with our other plans for spring," Van Dyck said.

Events scheduled by the Torrance Area Youth Band include the Third Annual Southern California Baton Twirling Contest, May 3; Crafts Show Carnival, May 7-11, and the Sixth Anniversary Concert, May 24.

The band will also sponsor the "Miss Torrance" contest this spring.

spring, he said. George Post will be the chairman of the event.

LT. VERNON FIERCE IN NAVY TRAINING

Undergoing an 11-month course of instruction at the Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, Calif., is Lt. Vernon R. Fierce, USN, son of Mrs. Vernon R. Fierce, of 2363 El Dorado St., and husband of the former Miss Ina Fae Newkirk of Long Beach.

He attended the University of Missouri at Columbia, and was commissioned in the Naval Reserve in 1943.

With his wife and children, Robert, 6; Donald, 4, and David, 6 months, he presently resides at 1048 Portola Dr., Monterey.

SUGAR'S USE
Sugar, transformed into industrial alcohol, is used extensively in the manufacture of explosives.

Two-Thirds Of Red Cross Goal Reached

The annual Red Cross fund campaign has reached 66 percent of the \$11,100 quota, it was announced yesterday by Lester T. King, general chairman of the drive.

A total of \$7341.77 has been collected, King revealed.

The chairman announced that a two-week "mop-up" campaign drive which officially ended last Monday. He expressed a hope that much of the quota could be met during the two-week extension.

King also asked that volunteers stay on the job in an effort to meet the quota assigned the Torrance branch.

"There is little need to relate the work which the Red Cross does every day for persons in disaster areas," King said. "The work of the Red Cross is known to everyone. Now we are asking for help in carrying on the work which this organization does."

Police Officers, 12 Cars Full, Halt Big Beef

Twelve carloads of police officers were called in to halt a purported riot at 20734 S. Main St. Sunday night, and because no one could tell exactly what was going on, five men landed in the hoosegow on drunkenness charges.

Four carloads of deputy sheriffs, three California Highway Patrol units and five patrol cars from Los Angeles Police Department were on hand to quell the supposed barroom riot.

Deputies said that nearly 150 persons were milling around the scene when they arrived, but no one could give a coherent story of the happenings.

Officers arrested John J. Janos, 30, 11709 W. 169th St., Lawndale; Eugene N. Perkins, 24, Los Angeles; Howard H. House, 30, 1038 W. 256th St.; Benjamin P. Ybarra, 25, Los Angeles and William T. Largent, 33, Los Angeles, on drunkenness complaints.

Walteria News Notes

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Well, next week will be Easter vacation and, needless to say, the young set is looking forward to a week without school books. Friday, several of the rooms will top off the last day of school with Easter parties. From some of the preparations this reporter has seen, the youngsters will really enjoy themselves. The kindergarten class is coloring eggs in honor of the occasion, while the older children will have more involved activities.

Congratulations are in order, although a bit late, for Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dean McKinney of 24244 Los Codona Ave. Seems they are proud parents of their first child, a boy, borne March 3 at the Torrance Memorial Hospital. He weighed in at eight pounds and was christened Dean Walter. Proud grandparents of the new arrival are the owners of the Walteria Drug Store on Pacific Coast Highway.

Circle 2 of the Walteria WSCS held their monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Eva Bowen, Danah St. After a busy coming of plans for the coming activities, the women enjoyed delicious refreshments of chocolate cake, pudding and coffee. Next meeting will be the fourth Tuesday in April.

The Cub Scouts held their pack meeting last Friday, March 28, in the school auditorium. Fifty boys and parents attended the meeting which was really enjoyable. The evening began with the flag salute led by Den 2, after which "America" was sung by those attending. On the program for the evening was Pat Willey, who played an accordion solo. Awards were presented as follows: Year pins to Dennis McDonald, Gary McDonald, Brent Colburn, Billy Buchanan, Gary Bowen; Wolf badges to Robert Lewis and Tommy Colman; Bear badge to Leroy Whitacre; Lion badges to Gary Bowen and Pat Willey; Gold Arrows to Robert Lewis, Brent Colburn, Richard Gomez, Ben Hancock, Gary Bowen, Pat Willey; Silver Arrows to Brent Colburn, Ronald Rappé, Leroy Whitacre, Gary Bowen and Pat Willey. Den 3 won the den pennant for the most parents in attendance, while Den 4 took home the den pennant for the best handicraft display. Den 4 mothers were hostesses for the refreshments.

The Pandora Club held its meeting last Thursday in the recreation hall and from what we hear the members really had a good time. The women were to "come as they were" when they received their cards announcing the meeting, and some of them appeared in what might be termed "unusual costumes." Prize winner for dressing most appropriately was Mrs. San Paulo, who came complete with

clothespin bag around her waist. The ladies were greeted at the door by a "vendor" who presented each with a big bag of popcorn to munch through the movies shown that evening. The three films presented a variety of entertainment from the "Gay Nineties" to jungle adventures and winter carnival sports. Hostesses for the night were Mrs. Bigelow, Elsie Powell and Thelma Woods. Betty Essex won the door award. The evening was topped off with ice cream and coffee.

Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Corey this last week-end were Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Berry. The Berries used to live here in Walteria before John was transferred to San Diego.

A farewell luncheon was given for Pat Smart last Saturday by six girls who were members along with Pat in the original MYF choir. The group ate at the Fish Shanty on Pacific Coast Hwy., after which they presented Pat with a going-away gift. Pat also was honored with a lovely corsage. Included in the party were Colleen Gordon, Maureen Gordon, Dona Lee Chaffin, Gwen Chaffin, Vicki Hagan and Janet VanDyke. They were accompanied by Mrs. Hagan and Mrs. Cramer. May we join them in wishing Pat "bon voyage."

This Sunday night, Rev. Tom Farley, head of the MYF for Southern California and Arizona, will be speaker at the MYF meeting at the Recreation Hall. Guests of the Walteria group will be the MYF from Pacific Palisades. The evening will begin at 6 p.m. with a waffle bake in the park followed by volleyball and a community sing, after which there will be the devotional program. Colleen Gordon is general chairman for this evening.

A Boy Scout troop is being organized for this area under the leadership of Mr. Willey and Mr. Kamfonik. They are extremely interested in finding other men who will help them in this endeavor, as there are so many boys of Scout age in our community. At present, four committeemen will help with the troop, but they are already kept busy with the Cub Scouts. If any of you dads reading this column are interested in sending a hand to this more than worthy cause, contact either Eugene Kamfonik at FR. 5-3325, or Maurice Willey at LO. 2597-M.

Public School Week Dinner Slated at ECC

Public School Week activities will be opened at El Camino College with a public dinner to be held April 28 in the school's Campus Center building, according to an announcement made this week.

The dinner, given in co-operation with the Masonic orders of the college district, is scheduled to start at 6:30 p. m., and is being given to acquaint the public with the services offered by the college to the community.

General chairman for the dinner will be Forrest G. Murdoch, El Camino president. The program for the evening will be furnished by the school instruction, personnel and business departments, with music by the El Camino Band under the direction of Hamilton Maddaford, music instructor and assistant director of student personnel.

Seaside Student High In Queen Selections

Ruth Halsey of Inglewood, El Camino College coed, has been chosen to represent the Westchester Kiwanis Club in the Westchester Fair Queen Contest.

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